

**APPLICATION FOR UNITED STATES PATENT  
DECLARATION \* POWER OF ATTORNEY \* PETITION**

AS A BELOW-NAMED INVENTOR, I/WE hereby declare that:

MY/OUR RESIDENCE, citizenship, and post office address are as stated below, next to my/our name.

I/WE BELIEVE I am/we are the original, first and joint inventor(s), of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

**EPLERENONE CRYSTAL FORM**

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the specification of which, with any Preliminary Amendment, was filed as United States Application Serial No. 09/732,208 on December 7, 2000.

I/WE HEREBY STATE that I/we have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specifications including the claims, as amended by any Amendment(s) referred to above.

I/WE ACKNOWLEDGE the Duty to Disclose to the Patent and Trademark Office all information known to me/us to be material to patentability of the subject matter claimed in this application, as "materiality" is defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56.

I/We hereby claim priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, § 119 of any foreign application(s) for patent, United States provisional application(s), or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent, United States provisional application, or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

			<u>Priority Claimed</u>
09/246,204	USA	February 8, 1999	Yes
08/763,910	USA	December 11, 1996	Yes
60/008,455	USA	December 11, 1995	Yes
09/246,908	USA	February 9, 1999	Yes
09/583,158	USA	May 30, 2000	Yes
09/583,137	USA	May 30, 2000	Yes
09/319,673	USA	December 13, 1999	Yes
60/049,388	USA	June 11, 1997	Yes
60/033,315	USA	December 11, 1996	Yes
60/169,556	USA	December 8, 1999	Yes
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60/169,639	USA	December 8, 1999	Yes
60/169,682	USA	December 8, 1999	Yes
60/169,690	USA	December 8, 1999	Yes
60/169,807	USA	December 8, 1999	Yes
(Serial No.)	(Country)	(Date Filed)	(Yes/No)

I/We hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, § 120 of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided

by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, § 112, I/we acknowledge the duty to disclose all information known to me/us to be material to patentability of the subject matter claimed in this application, as "materiality" is defined in title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56, which becomes available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

PCT/US97/23090	USA	December 11, 1997	<u>Priority Claimed</u> Yes
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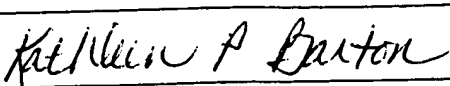
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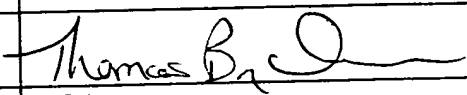
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WHEREFORE, I/WE PRAY that Letters Patent be granted to me/us solely or jointly with the additional inventor(s) named below for the invention described and claimed in the above-identified specification and claims, and I/we hereby subscribe my/our name to the above-identified specification and claims, Declaration, Power of Attorney and this Petition.

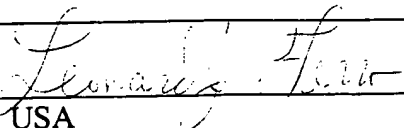
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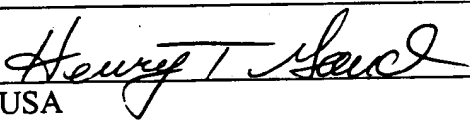
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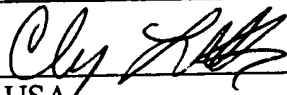
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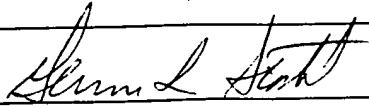
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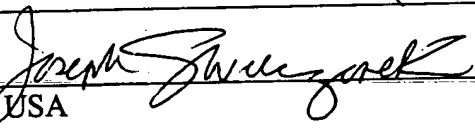
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